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Resubmitted herewith is a copy of reference <u>GB</u> 1,348,146, which was mistakenly cited as US 1,348,146 in the form PTO-1449 submitted on July 1, 2003. Also resubmitted herewith are a copy of reference JP 46 5395 and a partial translation thereof, including an Abstract,

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Example, and Table. The attached form PTO-1449 cites each of the partial translation documents.

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